Managing Students and Testing in eDIRECT

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Introduction

The purpose of this manual is to help District Assessment Coordinators (DACs), School Assessment Coordinators (SACs) and other eDIRECT users manage students and testing in eDIRECT. It is the responsibility of DACs/SACs to ensure that all district/school eDIRECT users have the appropriate level of access and to remove access when staffing changes occur.

Log in to eDIRECT

To access eDIRECT, enter the URL https://wi.drcedirect.com in a supported browser.

All DACs were sent an email the last week of October 2017, notifying them that they have access to the 2018 Forward administration in eDIRECT. New DACs were also sent an email with an authorization link and a temporary password. All other DACs should be able to log in with their previous credentials.

If you forget your user name or password, click on the <u>Forgot your username or password?</u> link located toward the bottom of the log in box. After selecting one of two reset options, complete the necessary information and click send. You will receive an email containing your username or a link to reset your password, depending on your request.



Changing Your Password

If you are an existing user and need to change your password, log in to your account and click on <u>your name</u> in the right upper corner of the screen.



When the Manage Account page appears, click <u>edit</u>. When the Change Password page appears, enter the necessary information and then click update password.

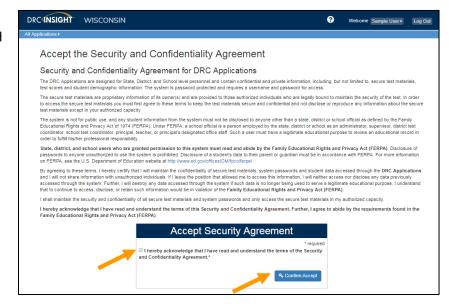
Passwords must contain a minimum of eight characters including:

- At least one numeric character
- At least one lowercase character and at least one uppercase character
- At least one of the following special characters: !@#\$%^&*

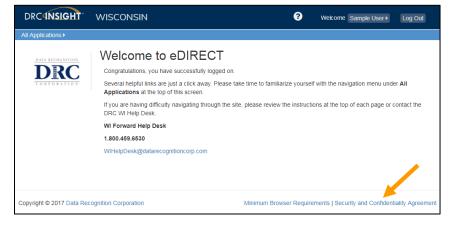
Security Agreement

The first time any user logs in to eDIRECT they must read and accept the security and confidentiality agreement, which will automatically display. Users are not permitted to continue without accepting the agreement.

Everyone working with the Forward Exam must also complete a hard-copy DPI Forward Exam Confidentiality Agreement (See the Forward Exam Test Security webpage).

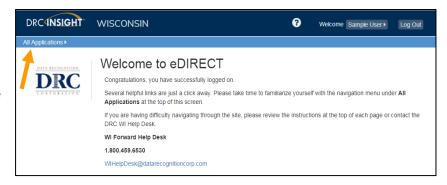


If you would like to view or print the eDIRECT Security and Confidentiality Agreement, click on the Security and Confidentiality Agreement link at the bottom of the Welcome to eDIRECT screen.



Working in eDIRECT

After you have logged in and accepted the security agreement, you will see the Welcome to eDIRECT screen. Click on **All Applications** in the upper left corner on the menu bar to open additional application tabs.



After clicking on All

Applications, a user may be able to access up to eight application tabs, depending on the level of permissions assigned to a user.



The application tabs in eDIRECT are:

General Information – Under this tab you will find Announcements from DRC, Documents (guides, manuals, etc.), Downloads for software (INSIGHT app. etc.), and Test Tutorials (Student and Administrator tutorials).

User Management – Under this tab, you can add users or edit existing users. Users include your SACs and your district and school technology coordinators.

Materials – Under this tab is the additional materials tab where you can order braille test materials for students who require them.

Student Management – Under this tab, you can manage student records, look up students, complete a student transfer request form, and view the student status dashboard.

Test Management – Under this tab, you are able to manage student test sessions and test tickets.

Central Office & Device Toolkit – The Central Office menu and Device Toolkit menus point to the same place – the Central Office Services – Device Toolkit. Here, you can view existing configurations or add a new configuration for managing local content caching and approved student testing devices.

Report Delivery – Under this tab, you will find your district demographic data file, electronic Individual Student Reports (ISRs), summary data, and status reports.

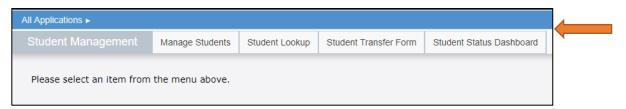
This manual will focus on the **Student Management** and **Test Management** tabs. Detailed information about the **User Management** tab is provided in the *Managing Users in eDIRECT* guide.

Student Management in eDIRECT

DACs/SACs are responsible for managing student data in eDIRECT. Student details (e.g. district, school, birthdate, grade, gender, race, WISEID, Local ID, and district/school of accountability) and demographics (e.g. disability status, English language proficiency, migrant status, district/school FAY) are exported from WISEdata and uploaded to eDIRECT approximately 8 weeks prior to the testing window. The following are DAC/SAC responsibilities for managing student data in eDIRECT:

- DACs/SACs are responsible for adding all accessibility features required by students into eDIRECT before testing.
- DACs/SACs need to ensure student detail and demographic data are up to date and correct in eDIRECT.
- If a student transfers into the district, or transfers between schools within a district, DACs/SACs must update eDIRECT with this information.
- DACs/SACs must ensure all students in their district are added to test sessions.
- If a student does not participate in the Forward Exam, DACs/SACs must enter a non-tested code for that student in eDIRECT.

Under the Student Management tab, there are four additional application tabs:



Note that the Student Lookup tab is only available to individuals with DRC or State permissions assigned.

Adding Accessibility Features for Students in eDIRECT

The DAC/SAC must indicate in eDIRECT if a student will use an accessibility feature (designated supports and accommodations) for the Forward Exam. DACs/SACs must work closely with school staff to ensure that students are receiving appropriate accommodations and designated supports. Please refer to the Accessibility Guide when making such decisions.

There are three options for entering accessibility features into eDIRECT:

- 1. Using the Multiple Student Upload (MSU) process (February 12-23, 2018)
- 2. On a student-by-student basis (beginning March 5, 2018)
- 3. Mass-assign the same support or accommodation to a group of students (beginning March 5, 2018)

Add Accessibility Features Window for Multiple Students (MSU Process)

There is an **optional** window of time when districts can use a Multiple Student Upload (MSU) process to enter accessibility features for multiple students. You will not be able to use the MSU file to enter accessibility features at any time other than during this optional ten-day window. On February 12, 2018,

you will have access to a District Demographic Data file (.csv) in the MSU format with all of your student detail and demographic data pre-populated. You can download this file from eDIRECT, add student accessibility features to this file, and upload the file back into eDIRECT. The MSU file with accessibility features added can only be uploaded February 12-23. If you upload a MSU file after this window, data entered into the accessibility features columns of the MSU file will be ignored.

It is not necessary to upload student records that do **not** require accessibility features or changes to student information. It is recommended that you delete unneeded rows and/or copy needed rows into the MSU file layout.

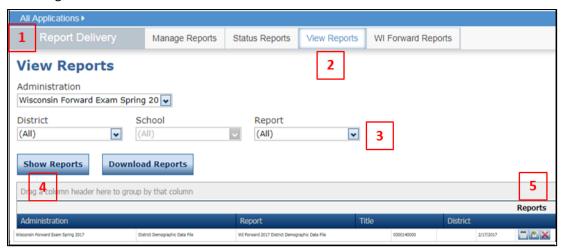
If you choose not to use the add accessibility features window (e.g., you have a low number of students using accessibility features) you may still enter supports and accommodations using the individual and mass-assignment tools available in eDIRECT, beginning March 5, 2018.

The MSU process consists of three steps:

- 1. Download the District Demographic Data file, or create your own file using the Sample File (.csv) as a template.
- 2. Add the accessibility features for students to the file.
- 3. Upload the file.

To download the District Demographic Data file, do the following:

- 1. Click on the Report Delivery tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the View Reports tab.
- 3. Select your district, and in the <u>Report</u> drop-down menu select the District Demographic Data file.
- 4. Click Show Reports.
- 5. Download the District Demographic Data file for use as a Multiple Students Upload (MSU) file by clicking on the **Save CSV** icon.



As an alternative to using the District Demographic Data file, there is also a Sample File (.csv) available on the <u>Forward Exam Resources webpage</u>, and in eDIRECT on the Upload Multiple Students tab (see Step 3 below). You can download the Sample File, add your student data and accessibility features to that file, and use that as your MSU upload file.

After you download the District Demographic Data file, you need to add student accessibility features to the appropriate columns. Use the MSU File Layout (pdf) document, which outlines the specific formatting and data validation rules that you must follow when producing a MSU upload file, to confirm all your columns are formatted correctly. The MSU File Layout (pdf) is available on the Forward Exam Resources webpage, and in eDIRECT on the Upload Multiple Students tab (see Step 3 below).

After you have added data, make sure that you save the file.

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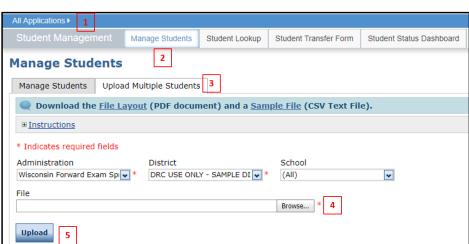
It is important to use the File Layout (pdf) document to confirm that all of the columns in your MSU file are formatted correctly before uploading it to eDIRECT. All column headers must be identical to the headers in the Sample File or the District Demographic Download file.

To upload your saved MSU file back into eDIRECT, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab and select your search criteria.
- 3. Click on the **Upload Multiple Students** tab. The blue bar at the top of the tab provides links to a File Layout (pdf) and a Sample File (.csv text file).
- 4. Click <u>Browse</u> to locate your updated and saved MSU file. Select the file and click <u>Open</u> to display it in the "File" field.
- 5. Click <u>Upload</u>. A message will display indicating the file has been transferred and is being validated (checked for errors). Depending on the size of your data file, the validation process can vary in length.

NOTE:

The blue highlighted area under the Upload Multiple Students tab provides links to the MSU File Layout (PDF) and a Sample File (.csv) that you can use to create a MSU file.



6. After the file validation process is completed, if your file has critical data errors (e.g. the district number is incorrect or does not have the correct number of digits (10)) you will see an error message alerting you that the file failed to upload:

A previously submitted <u>student file</u> failed to upload. Please check the <u>error report</u> and resolve the errors before resubmitting the file.

Click the <u>error report</u> link (included in the error message) to download a report (.csv) listing the cause for the upload failure.

7. Correct the data errors identified in the error report, save the corrected file, and re-upload the file.

NOTE:

If you upload another MSU file, the new file will overwrite the currently uploaded version.

8. Once your file has successfully uploaded (without critical data validation errors), you will see a message that says the file has successfully uploaded and advises you to download an **error report** (.csv) by clicking the underlined link:

The <u>student file</u> has been accepted, all records free of errors have been uploaded. Please check the <u>error report</u> and resolve any errors that may exist before resubmitting the file.

Even if your file uploaded successfully, it still may contain data errors that did not pass the validation process. For example, data in a certain field may not display properly. The error report will list the cause of each non-critical data error.

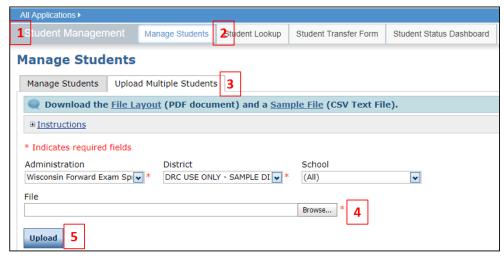
9. Correct the data errors identified in the error report, save the file, and re-upload the file.

Once your file has uploaded without any data errors (critical **or** non-critical), the error report will indicate that the file contains no errors.

Enter/Edit Accessibility Features on a Student-by-Student Basis

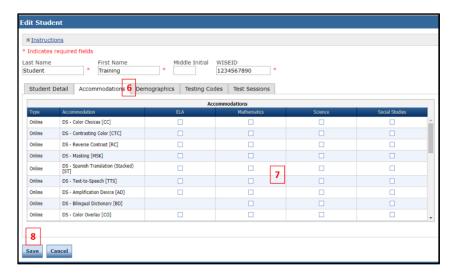
To enter/edit a student's accessibility information, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- Click the View/Edit icon in the Action column for the student. The Edit Student window will open.



- 6. In the Edit Student window, click on the **Accommodations** tab.
- 7. Select the check boxes to assign the necessary accessibility features for the student. To remove an accessibility feature, uncheck the box. Features need to be added separately for each subject area.
- 8. Click <u>Save</u> to save your changes or <u>Cancel</u> to cancel your changes.

NOTE:
The Accommodations
tab in the Edit Student
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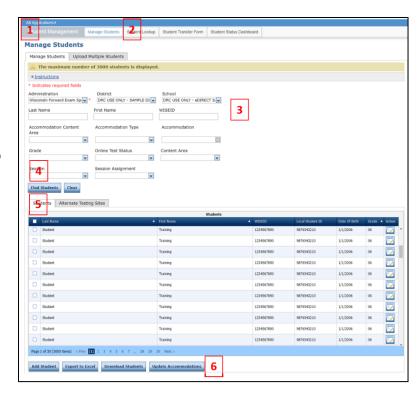


All test tickets need to be re-printed if changes are made to accessibility features.

Mass-Assign the Same Support or Accommodation to a Group of Students

To add the same accommodation or support to multiple students simultaneously, do the following:

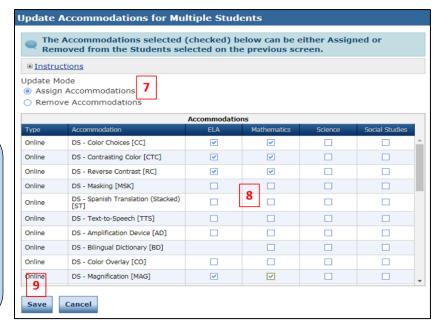
- Click on the Student
 Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- Select the check box next to each student that you want to assign the accessibility features.
- Click on <u>Update</u>
 <u>Accommodations</u>. The
 Update Accommodations
 for Multiple Students
 window will appear.



In the Update Accommodations for Multiple Students window:

- Select <u>Assign</u>
 <u>Accommodations</u> under Update Mode.
- 8. Select the desired accessibility features.
- 9. Click Save.

NOTE: To mass-remove accessibility features from a selected group of students, choose Remove Accommodations under Update Mode, then uncheck the boxes for the accessibility feature that needs to be removed, and click Save.



Editing Student Demographics

The DAC/SAC is responsible for ensuring all student demographics (grade level, school, etc.) in eDIRECT are accurate. DACs/SACs must work closely with school staff to ensure student information is correct and/or updated. Any demographic information updated in eDIRECT must also be updated in your district/school student information system.

Student demographics can be edited in eDIRECT in two ways:

- 1. Using the Multiple Student Upload File process
- 2. On a student-by-student basis

Editing Student Demographics using Multiple Student Upload File (MSU)

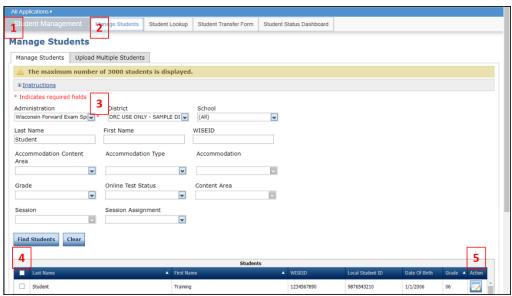
To create a student file with updated/corrected demographics, follow the MSU instructions on pages 5-6 of this manual. You can either download the District Demographic Data file and make your updates to that file, or you can create your own file using the Sample File (.csv template). After you have created the MSU file, you need to upload the file, following instructions on pages 6-7 of this manual.

NOTE: Student demographic data can be updated in eDIRECT using a MSU file at **any time**. However, accessibility features can only be added to eDIRECT using the MSU process from February 12-23. Any data in the accessibility columns of a MSU file will be ignored after February 23.

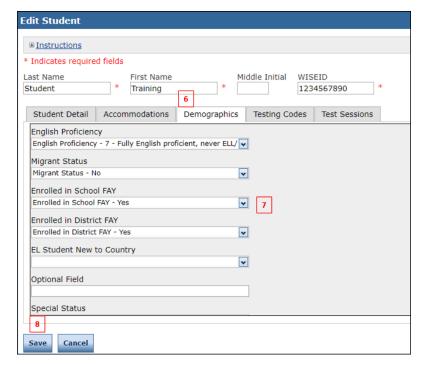
Editing Student Demographics on a Student-by-Student Basis

To view or edit a student's demographic information, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- 3. Select criteria.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- 5. Click the **View/Edit** icon in the Action column for the student. The Edit Student window will open.



- In the Edit Student window, select the **Demographics** tab.
- 7. Update the student demographic information.
- 8. Click Save.



Viewing, Adding, and Removing Students in a Test Session

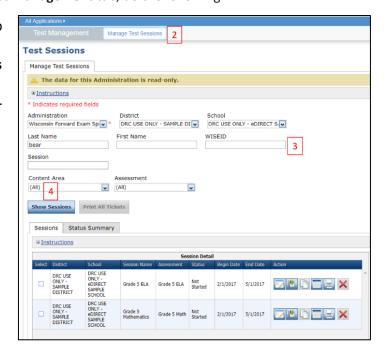
Students are automatically added to test sessions in eDIRECT the week of February 26-March 2. These test sessions are grouped by grade and content area for each school. After March 5, DACs/SACs may edit these test sessions or create new sessions.

Viewing a Students Test Session Information

Student test session information can be accessed in eDIRECT under both the **Student Management** tab and the **Test Management** tab. Both methods are outlined below.

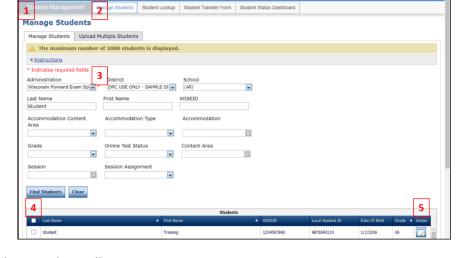
To view a student's test sessions in the **Test Management** tab, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Test Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Enter the student name or WISEid.
- 4. Click Show Sessions.



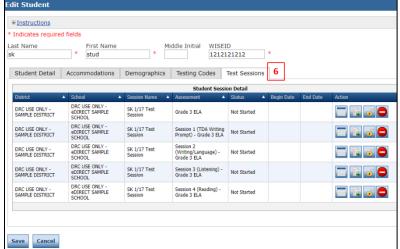
To view a student's test sessions in the **Student Management** tab, do the following:

- Click on the Student Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the **Manage Students** tab.
- Enter the student information and/or select additional search criteria.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- Click the View/Edit icon in the Action column for the



student. The Edit Student window will open.

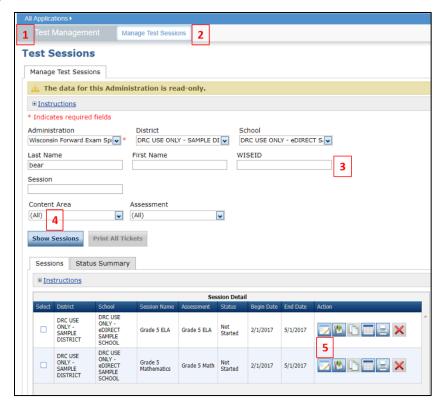
6. In the Edit Student window, click on the **Test Sessions** tab to view all test sessions for that student.



Adding or Removing Students in an Existing Test Session

To add or remove a student that is already in an existing test session, do the following:

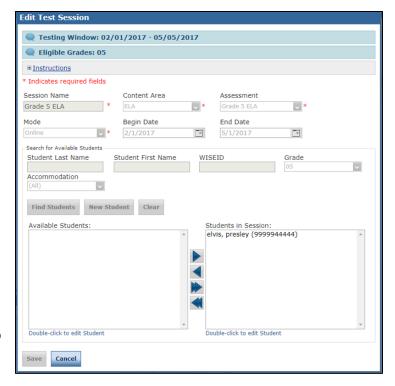
- 1. Click on the **Test Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select the Administration, District and School from the drop-down menus.
- 4. Click on Show Sessions.
- 5. Identify the test session that you want to add/remove the student to/from and click the **View/Edit** icon in the action column in that row. The Edit Test Session window will open.



- In the Edit Test Session window, enter search criteria and click Find Students.
- 7. To add a student to this test session
 - a. In the Available Students column, click on the student's name to highlight it.
 - b. Click to move the student from the Available Students column to the Students in Session column.

Or, click if you want to move ALL students from the Available Students column to Students in Session column.

c. Click Save.



NOTE: To select multiple students in sequence, press the Shift key while you select them. To select multiple students that are not in sequence, press the Ctrl key while you select them.

- 8. To remove a student from this test session
 - a. In the Students in Session box, click on the student's name to highlight it (To select multiple students in sequence, press the Shift key while you select them To select multiple students that are not in sequence, press the Ctrl key while you select them)
 - b. Click to remove the selected student/s from the Students in Session column, or click to remove ALL the students from the Students in Session column.
 - c. Click Save.

Transferring Students

Transferring Students between Schools within a District

DACs can transfer students between schools within their district in eDIRECT. All student information (including tests that have already been completed and assigned accommodations) will move with the student to the new school. The student will need to be removed from test sessions at the old school prior to transfer and placed into test sessions at the new school for any tests that have not yet been started.

There are two options for transferring students between schools within a district:

- 1. On a student-by-student basis beginning March 5, 2018
- 2. Using the Multiple Student Upload process

As shown in Figure 1, the option you choose may depend on how many students need to be transferred.

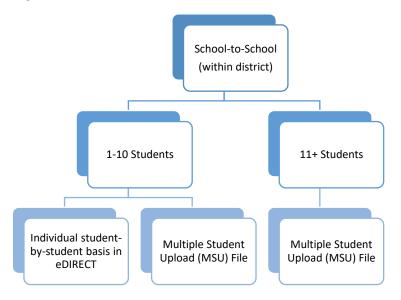


Figure 1. Within District School-to-School Transfer Process Decision Tree

Before you can transfer a student to another school in your district, you must remove the student from any test sessions that have a status of "Not Started". See "Adding or Removing Students in an Existing Test Session" on page 12 for directions on how to remove students from test sessions.

Within District Transfer Option 1: Transfers between Schools on a Student-by-Student Basis

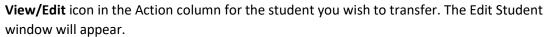
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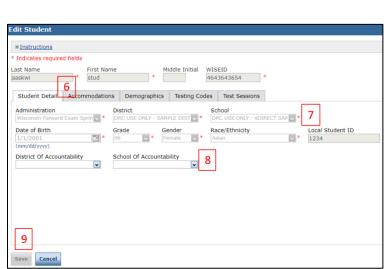
To transfer a student to a different school, do the following:

- After the student is removed from all "Not Started" test sessions, click on the Student Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- 3. Enter your search criteria and/or select from dropdown menus.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- 5. From the student list that displays, click the



- In the Edit Student window, select the **Student Detail** tab.
- 7. Select the new school from the School drop-down menu.
- Select the new school of accountability from the dropdown menu.
- 9. Click Save.

The student can now be added to test sessions in the new school. See "Adding or Removing Students in an Existing Test Session" on page 12 for directions on how to add the student to a test session.



Within District Transfer Option 2: Transfers between Schools Using the Multiple Student Upload Process

You may transfer multiple students between schools within your district at one time using the Multiple Student Upload (MSU) process. Follow the instructions on pages 5-7 of this manual to create and upload a MSU file.

Transferring Students Into your District

If a new student arrives in the district during the testing window, DACs are required to request the student transfer into their district in eDIRECT. DACs cannot transfer students out of their district and into another district. All student information (including tests that have already been completed and assigned accessibility features) will be transferred in eDIRECT with the student to the new district and school. During the transfer process, DRC will remove the student from any tests not yet started in the old district, and will provide the new district with usernames and passwords for any in progress tests, so that the new district can add the student to new test sessions in their district. The student will need to be added to test sessions in the new school.

You need the following information to transfer a student into your district:

- WISEid (State Student ID)
- Student Grade
- Receiving District
- Receiving School

There are three options DACs may choose from to transfer a student into their district:

- 1. Submit a Student Transfer Request Form through eDIRECT
- 2. Complete the Transfer Request Spreadsheet
- 3. Request the transfer through the WI Forward Help Desk

As shown in Figure 2, the option you choose depends on how many students need to be transferred into your district, the urgency of the transfer, and personal preference.

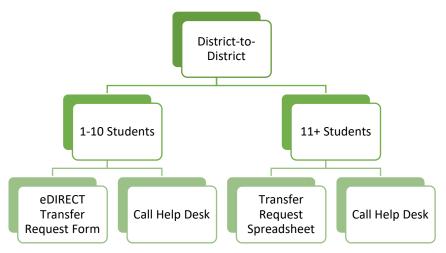


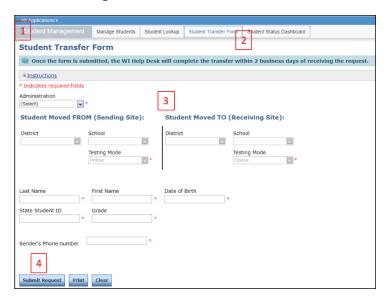
Figure 2. Transferring Students into a District - Decision Tree

Transfer Request Option 1: Complete and Submit an eDIRECT Transfer Request Form

The eDIRECT Student Transfer Request Form is an electronic form available in eDIRECT. One form needs to be submitted per individual student transfer, and after submitting the form, it may take up to two business days to process. DACs will receive an email notification from the WI Forward Help Desk when the transfer is completed.

To use the eDIRECT Transfer Request form, do the following:

- 1. Select the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- Select the Student Transfer Form tab.
- 3. Enter the required information.
- 4. Click Submit Request.



Transfer Request Option 2: Complete and Submit a Transfer Request Spreadsheet

The Transfer Request spreadsheet can be used to transfer multiple students at one time, and may take up to two business days to process. The Transfer Request spreadsheet may only be completed by the receiving district.

To use the Transfer Request spreadsheet, do the following:

- 1. Download the Transfer Request spreadsheet, available on the Forward Exam Resources webpage and in the documents section of eDIRECT.
- 2. Complete the fields in the Transfer Request spreadsheet and save your changes. Do not include any student information other than what is requested on the spreadsheet, as it may be in violation of student privacy laws.
- 3. Email the file to the WI Forward Help Desk at WIHelpDesk@datarecognitioncorp.com.

Transfer Request Option 3: Call WI Forward Help Desk

Calling the Help Desk (1-800-459-6530) requires you to spend some time on the phone, but the transfers are immediate. When you call the Help Desk to transfer a student into your district, you will need to provide the student WISEid (State Student ID), the students grade, and the receiving district and school names.

Student No Longer Enrolled in the District

If a student has left your district, keep the student enrolled in test sessions and enter the not-tested code of "NLE" (No Longer Enrolled). See page 20 for instructions on entering a not-tested code. You do not need to transfer a student out of your district. See Appendix C: Testing Scenarios for more information.

Adding a "New to Wisconsin Public School System" Student to eDIRECT

A "new student" is a student who is new to the Wisconsin Public School System and has not attended a private school via the Choice Program. First, the student must be added as a new student record in eDIRECT. After the student is added to eDIRECT, the DAC/SAC can add the student to an existing test session.

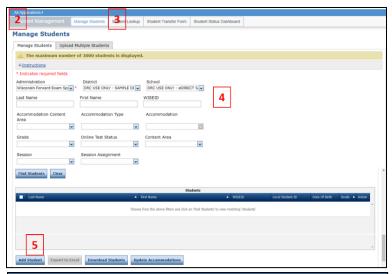
Adding a New Student to eDIRECT

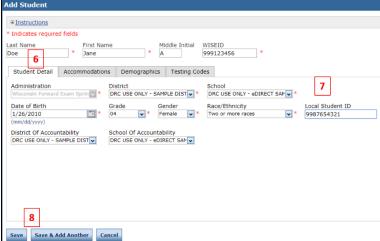
To add a new student (new to the Wisconsin public school system) to eDIRECT, do the following:

- Obtain a WISEid for the student.
- Click on the Student
 Management tab under All Applications.
- 3. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- 4. Select administration, district and school.
- 5. Click on Add Student.

The Add Student window will open.

- In the Add Student window, click on the **Student Detail** tab.
- 7. Enter and select the required information.
- Click <u>Save</u>, or <u>Save & Add</u>
 <u>Another</u> to save the information and add another student, or <u>Cancel</u> to cancel the process.





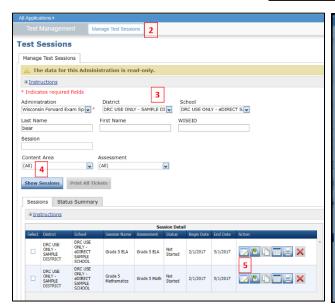
After the new student has been added to eDIRECT, they can be added to test sessions for each content area they have not completed, following the directions on page 12 of this manual.

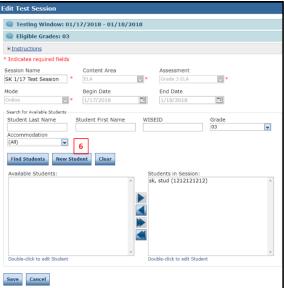
Adding a New Student to eDIRECT and to an Existing Test Session

It is possible to combine the steps of adding a "New to Wisconsin" student to eDIRECT and adding that student to an existing test session. If you use the method described below, you do not need add the new student to eDIRECT first, as described above.

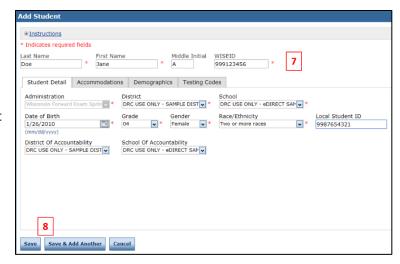
To add one or more new students to eDIRECT and add them to an existing test session at the same time, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Test Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select administration, district and school.
- 4. Click on Show Sessions.
- 5. Select an existing test session for the student's grade level and click the **View/Edit** icon. The Edit Test Session window will open.
- 6. In the Edit Test Session window, click New Student. The Add Student window will open.





- In the Add Student window, enter the new student's information.
- Click <u>Save</u>. The student is automatically placed in the Students in Session list for that test session.

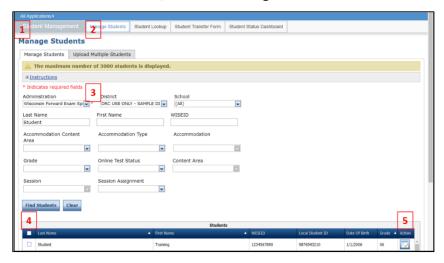


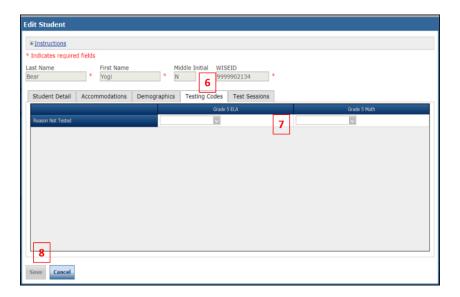
Entering a Not-Tested or Invalidation Code (NTC)

If a student is unable to take the Forward Exam for any reason, DACs/SACs must enter a not-tested reason for the student in eDIRECT. Any student that is not tested will count as a non-test participant for federal accountability purposes. For a complete list of NTC codes, descriptions, and guidance see Appendix B. NTCs must be entered for each content area for which they apply, and can only be entered on an individual student basis. Students must be in a test session in order to view, enter, or edit their NTC.

To view, enter or edit a student's test code information, do the following:

- Click on the Student Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the **Manage Students** tab.
- Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Find Students.
- Click the View/Edit icon in the Action column for the student. The Edit Student window will open.
- In the Edit Student window, click on the Testing Codes tab.
- Select the not-tested reason from the dropdown menus.
- 8. Click Save.





Invalidating a Student Test

A test may need to be invalidated if there is a misadministration of the test or if a test security violation occurs. Invalidating a test session invalidates the entire content area, not just the session in which the issue occurred (i.e. all of ELA, not just ELA session 1). An invalidation counts as a non-tested participant for accountability purposes in the content area invalidated and a not test reason of "invalidation" must

be entered for the student in eDIRECT for the affected content area. The DAC should contact DPI prior to invalidating any tests.

Unlocking/Purging a Student Test

Unlock (Reopen) a Student Test

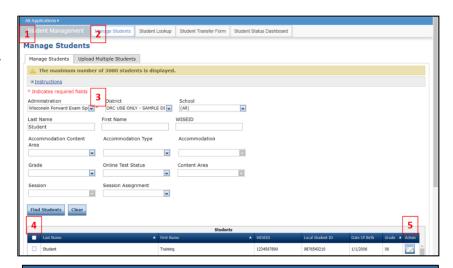
A student may accidentally or intentionally submit their test before they have finished answering all of the questions. Once the test is submitted, it will have a status of "Completed" on the Test Sessions tab, and the student cannot log back into the test. Under certain circumstances, a DAC may unlock a student's test.

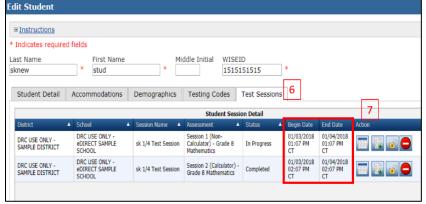
Only a DAC may unlock (reopen) a test. A DAC may unlock (reopen) a test with a status of "Completed" ONLY if the following conditions are met:

- The duration of the test was two minutes or less
- The number of items attempted by the student is two or less

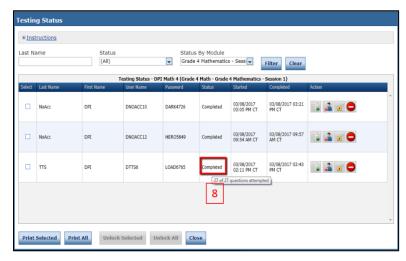
To determine how many minutes a student has been in the test, and how many items the student has attempted, do the following:

- Click on the Student
 Management tab
 under All Applications.
- Click on the Manage Students tab.
- Enter the student information (student name or WISEid, grade).
- 4. Click Find Students.
- Click the View/Edit icon in the Action column for the student. The Edit Student window will open.
- 6. In the Edit Student window, select the **Test Sessions** tab.





- On the **Test Sessions** tab, you will see the begin date and time, and the end date and time. The Status column will say "Completed".
- 7. To see how many items a student has attempted, select the **Edit/Print Ticket Status** icon in the Action column for the test session. The Testing Status window will open.
- 8. In the Testing Status window, the number of items the student attempted will display when the mouse hovers over the "Completed" status. (Tests that are "Not Started" or "In Progress" will not display a number of items attempted.)



Some examples of situations where a student may accidentally or intentionally submit a test are listed below, with guidelines about whether the situation meets the conditions to unlock the test:

- A student enters the test during the directions, panics, and clicks the submit button to try and exit or start over. In this situation, if the student has been in the test for two minutes or less, and they have not attempted more than 2 questions, a DAC can unlock the test.
- A student exits the test incorrectly at the end of a test sitting and clicks the submit button instead of exiting. This may happen when the student is taking a break during the day, or at the end of the day. In this situation, the DAC must call DPI for further guidance.
- A student purposely clicks the submit button due to frustration, behavioral issues, etc. In this situation, the DAC must call DPI for further guidance.

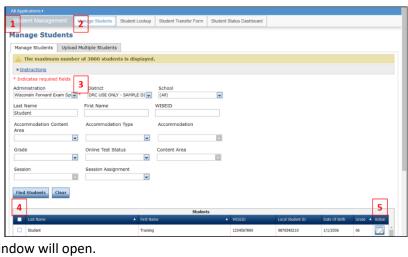
A DAC may unlock (reopen) a student test if a student has been in the test for two minutes or less and has not attempted more than two items, or if the DAC has been given permission by DPI to unlock the test.

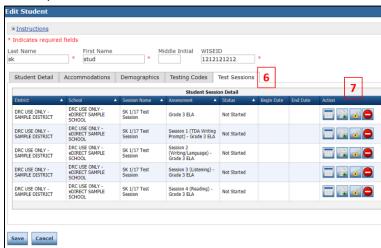
To unlock (reopen) a student test:

- Click on the Student
 Management tab under
 All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Students tab.
- Select or enter your search criteria (last name, grade, etc.).
- 4. Click Find Students.
- 5. Click the **View/Edit** icon in the Action column for the student. The Edit Student window will open.
- 6. In the Edit Student window, select the **Test Sessions** tab.
- Click on the **Unlock** icon in the Action column for the session that you need to unlock.

NOTE:

The Unlock icon always looks unlocked. It is a set graphic and does not change.





When the confirm Unlock dialog box displays, click <u>Unlock</u> to unlock the session or <u>Cancel</u> to cancel the process. The Status column will now say "In Progress".

Purge a Student Test

Only DPI can give approval to DRC to purge a student test. When a students' test is purged, all student answers are deleted and a new password is assigned. Most often, a purge is requested when a student has started a test without the proper accessibility features. See Appendix D for details about when a purge may be appropriate. The DAC must contact DPI to request a purge.

Test Management in eDIRECT

Managing Test Sessions

Viewing Test Sessions

To view all test sessions for a specific district or school, do the following:

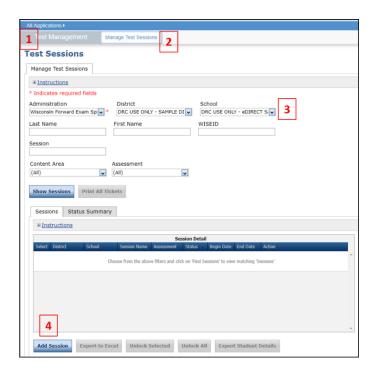
- 1. Click on the Test Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Show Sessions.

Creating a NEW Test Session

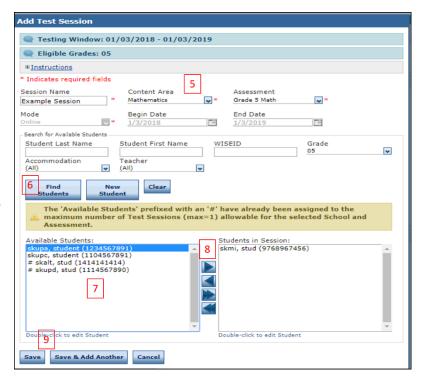
Students are automatically placed into test sessions by content area and grade level the week of February 26 – March 2. Beginning March 5, DACs/SACs may edit or add additional sessions (i.e. smaller test sessions by teacher) if they wish. If you want to create new test sessions, students must be removed from any test session they are already in, before they can be added to a new session. See 'Adding and Removing Students in a Test Session' in this manual for instructions on how to remove students from a test session.

To create a new test session, do the following:

- Click on the Test Management tab under All Applications.
- Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select administration, school and district (required).
- 4. Click on <u>Add Session</u>. The Add Test Session window will open.



- 5. In the Add Test Session window, enter the required information (session name should be descriptive teacher name, etc.).
- 6. Click Find Students.
- 7. Select students from the Available Students column.
- 8. Click to move selected students from the Available Students column to the Students in Session
 - column, or click to move all students.
- Click <u>Save</u> or <u>Save & Add</u>
 <u>Another</u>, to add another test session.



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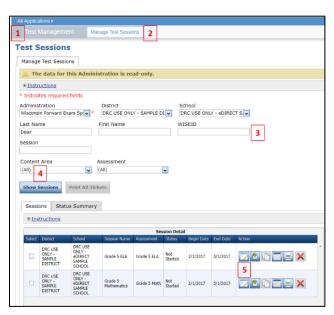
To select multiple students in the Add Test Session window, press the Shift key while you select them. To select multiple students that are not in sequence, press the Ctrl key while you select them.

Copying a Test Session

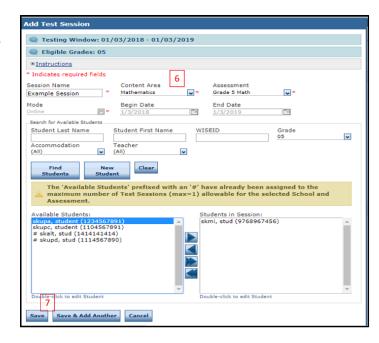
You can use an existing test session as a template to create a new test session. For example, you can make a copy of an ELA test session and edit it to create a new math test session.

To copy a test session, do the following:

- Click on the Test Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Show Sessions.
- Locate the session that you want to copy from the list displayed, and click the Copy Session icon in the Action column. The Add Test Session window will open.



- In the Add Test Session window, enter the appropriate edits for the new test session.
- Click <u>Save</u> to save your changes, <u>Save & Add Another</u> to save your changes and add another test session, or <u>Cancel</u> to cancel your changes.



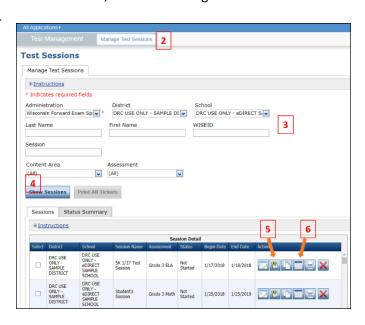
Viewing Test Session Status and Exporting Test Session Details

DACs and SACs should monitor testing in their district and schools to ensure administration is on track. One way to view the status of the test sessions is via the test session window. You can use this information to verify that all of the students in a session have completed their tests.

You can also export the details of a test session as a .csv file to save, view, edit, or print in a spreadsheet. Exporting test session details in a spreadsheet can be used to verify that accommodations and supports are correctly assigned, to create alternative test ticket formats and to review all test ticket information in a single, sortable format.

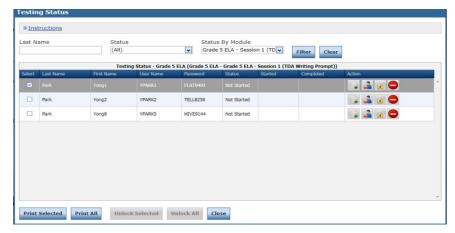
To view the status of a test session and/or export a test session, do the following:

- Click the Test Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Show Sessions.
- 5. Click the Export Details icon in the Action column to export the status of each student within that session. The test session details are exported as a data file (.csv). To export the same information for more than one session, click the boxes in the Select column next to the sessions, and the use the Export Student Details button.



6. To view test session status details, click the **Edit/Print Ticket Status** icon in the Action Column. The Testing Status window will open. Testing Status is either "Not Started", "In Progress", or "Completed".

NOTE: A student who has a status of 'Not Started' may have a "Not Tested" status in the Student Status dashboard. Students with a Not Tested status should not be removed from test sessions.

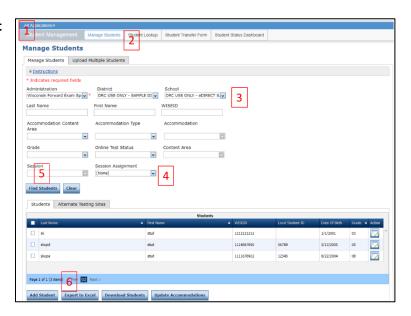


In the Testing Status window, you can search for students or sort by Last Name, Status, or Status by Module (Module refers to Test Session). The Testing Status window shows each student's test status, and the time the student started and completed the test.

Identifying Students Not in Test Sessions

All students must be assigned to test sessions. Students not enrolled in test sessions will be counted as not tested for accountability purposes. To determine if you have any students not assigned to test sessions:

- 1. Click on the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**.
- 2. Click on the **Manage Students**
- 3. Select the administration, district and school.
- 4. In the Session Assignment dropdown menu, select "none". Leave all other fields blank.
- 5. Click Find Students.
- 6. Click Export to Excel to download the list of students who are not assigned to any test sessions.



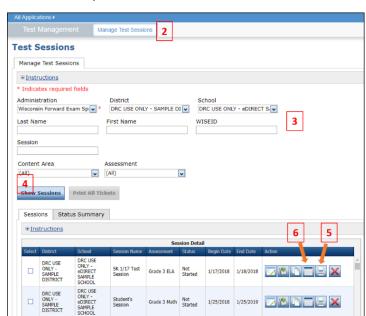
Printing Test Tickets

Test Tickets can be printed by DACs, SACs, and Test Administrators (TAs) if they have been given access to eDIRECT. Unless TAs are printing test tickets, they do not need access to eDIRECT to administer the Forward Exam. You can print test tickets for all students in a session, or you can select specific students and print only those tickets.

Steps 1-5 below provide instructions for printing all test tickets in a session. Steps 6-8 provide additional instructions if you only want to print tickets for specific students.

- Click on the Test Management tab under All Applications.
- 2. Click on the Manage Test Sessions tab.
- 3. Select your search criteria.
- 4. Click Show Sessions.
- To print all of the test tickets in a specific session, click the **Print All Tickets** icon in the Action column for that session.

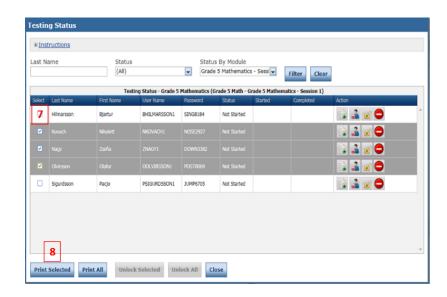
A Portable Document Format (.pdf) version of the Student Test Session Ticket will open that you can view, save, and/or print.



- 6. To print only selected test tickets, click on the **Edit/Print Ticket Status** icon in the Action column for that session. The Testing Status window will open.
- 7. In the Testing Status window, select one or more students by checking the box in the Select column next to the student name.
- 8. Click Print Selected.

NOTE:

You can search for students in the Testing Status window by Last Name, Status, or Status by Module (Module refers to Test Session). To search, enter your search criteria or select from the drop-down menus. Then, click **Filter** to display the results or **Clear** to clear your selections.



Working with the Student Status Dashboard

The Student Status Dashboard allows DACs/SACs to:

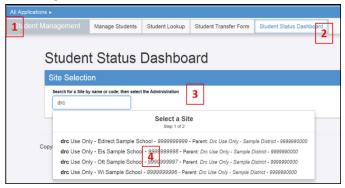
- Monitor testing progress at the school level
- Identify students that still need to complete test sessions
- Identify students that have a Not-Tested Code (NTC) applied to any test sessions
- Verify that all sessions within a content area have been completed

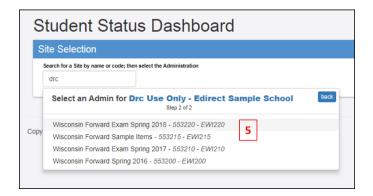
District Technology Coordinators (DTCs) also have access to the dashboard (included in the DTC permission set) because it can provide valuable information for technology readiness as testing proceeds.

The dashboard provides real-time data about student testing status. Data are displayed at the school level, and can be further disaggregated using clickable filters (**Status**, **Grade**, **Content Area**, and **Assessment**). The output table toward the bottom of the dashboard provides data that users can sort by status, start time, end time and duration of the student test. Users can export the displayed results in a spreadsheet (.csv) format.

To access the Student Status Dashboard, do the following:

- 1. Click on the **Student Management** tab under **All Applications**
- Click on the Student Status Dashboard tab
- 3. In the **Site Selection** box, enter the name of the school for which you would like to see data. A drop-down box with search results will appear.
- 4. Select your school from the dropdown list of search results.
- 5. Next, a drop-down list of test administrations will appear (e.g. Forward 2018). Select the administration for which you would like to view results.





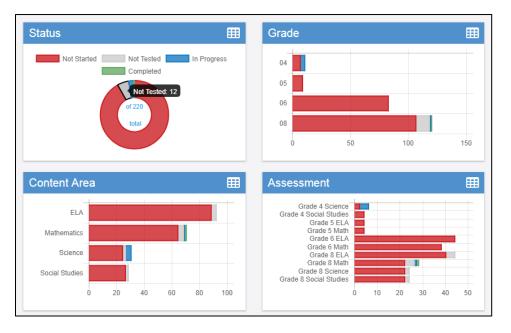
The dashboard displays four charts and a data output table. To filter dashboard results, click the relevant section of the **Status, Grade, Content Area,** or **Assessment** charts. Once a clickable filter is selected, all other charts will adjust to display the filtered results.

Multiple filters (e.g., Status, Grade, and Content Area) can be applied to narrow the displayed results.

Selecting an

Assessment filter will
automatically narrow
the Grade and

Content Area filters
to correspond with
the selected
assessment.



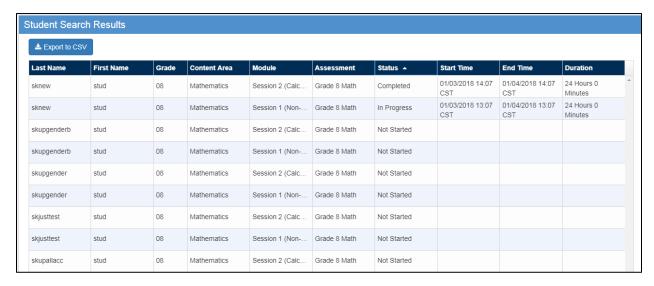
Selected filters will display above the clickable charts. The filters can be removed by clicking the X next to the displayed filter.

To view specific counts for any of the sections of the clickable charts, hover over that portion of the chart and a tooltip with color-coded counts will appear above that portion of the chart.



Exporting Results from the Student Status Dashboard

The output table under the charts displays the complete results of the data in the filtered charts. Data in the output table are displayed in ten sortable columns. Once the data is organized in the desired manner (filtered and sorted), it can be exported in a spreadsheet format (.csv).



Exporting Not-Tested-Codes (NTCs) from the Student Status Dashboard

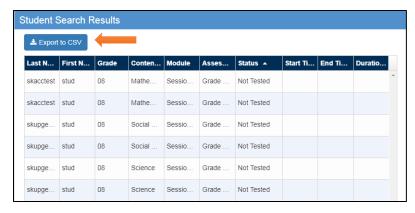
The Student Status Dashboard can be used to create a spreadsheet listing all currently assigned Not-Tested Codes (NTCs) at a particular school, grade, or content area.

To create a list of students with assigned Not-Tested Codes, do the following:

- 1. In the Status chart, click on the **Not Tested** portion of the chart.
- 2. Select any filters on the **Grade** and **Content Area** charts that you would like to apply.
- 3. The filtered results will display in the output table below. Verify that the value in the Status column for all results is

"Not Tested".

- Select the Export to CSV button to save a spreadsheet of the output table.
- The Not-Tested Code descriptions are listed in column K ("Not Tested Reason") of the .csv file.



Appendix A – User Roles and Permissions Matrix

		Role/Permission Set							
Menu Item	Permission Name	DAC	отс	Assistant To DAC	District Report User	SAC	STC	ΤA	School Report User
Central Office or Device Toolkit	Configuration Set-up	х	х	х		х	х		
General	View Documents	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Information	Access to Secured Resources	х	х	х	х	х			
Materials	Order Braille, view and edit braille orders	х							
Report Delivery	View District Status Reports and District Files	х		х	х				
Report Delivery	Download district /school reports, View School Files	х		х	х	х			х
	Add/Edit/Upload Students, edit demographics and add accessibility options	х		x		х			
Student	Download Students	х		х	х	х			х
Management	Search/View Students	х		х	х	х		х	х
	View Student Status dashboard	х	х	х		х		х	
	Student Transfers	х		х					
	Test Session - Add/Edit/Delete	x		x		x			
Test Management	Search/View Test Sessions and view testing status summary information, View Questions Attempted	х		х	x	х		х	х
rest ividilagement	Invalidate/Regenerate/Unlock Tests Refer to the DAC/SAC Guide and TAM priorperforming these functions.	х							
	View/Print Test Tickets	х		х		х		х	
User Management	Add/Edit/invalidate Users	х				х			

Appendix B – Not-Tested Codes

Not-Tested Code	Code Description	Rationale for Use			
PAR	Parent Opt-out	Parent opted student out of testing. This student will count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes. Opt out may come from the parent/guardian at any time during testing. Opt out if for the entire Forward Exam, not parts of it. Any testing already completed prior to opting out will be wiped out.			
SME	Significant Medical Emergency	A significant medical emergency is a significant health impairment that renders the student incapable of participating in any academic activities, including state assessments, for the entire testing window. Districts should maintain documentation of the circumstance within their district. The student will be excluded from test participation and achievement-based accountability calculations. You must enter a non-participation code of "Significant medical emergency" for the student in e-direct.			
RTR	Recent Trauma	Student encountered a recent trauma rendering him/her incapable of testing. This student will count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes.			
INV	Invalidated	Invalidation is often the outcome for assessments impacted by a test security incident. This student will count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes. Invalidations should be run past DPI prior to being initiated. Invalidation is for an entire content area (not just a session within).			
SAE	Student Absent for Entire Window	Student was absent for the entire window. This student will count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes.			
NLE	No Longer Enrolled	Student is no longer enrolled in the school. This student will not be included in accountability calculations.			
RAE	Recently Arrived ELL (for ELA)	Student enrolled in a US school within the last 12 months prior to the beginning of testing. Student may be exempt from the ELA assessment. Students must participate in the mathematics assessment. This student will not count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes.			
ALT	Alternate Assessment	Student participated in the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM)			
ОТН	Other	Any other reason. The student will count as a non-test participant for accountability purposes.			

Appendix C – Testing Scenarios

If a student moves from one district to another within Wisconsin during the test window the receiving district should make sure to:

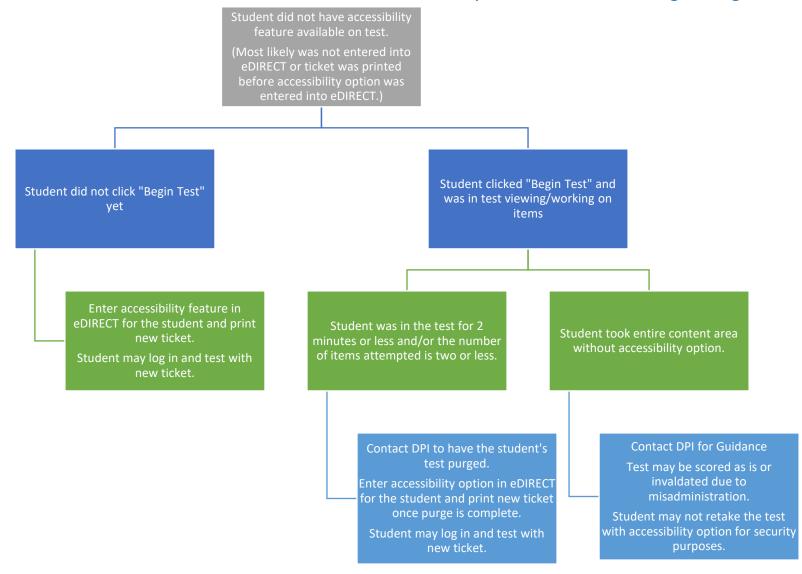
- check if the student was tested in the sending district;
- complete a request for transfer;
- complete testing to avoid testing the same student twice in the same operational year.

	Situation/Scenario	Standard protocol to be followed by the district FROM which the student moved	Standard protocol to be followed by the district TO which the student moved	Accountability
1.	Student was enrolled in the district but left before the test window and no testing has been done.	If the student has moved to the receiving district within Wisconsin (public school or choice program) before any testing has been done in the sending district, the sending district should apply a not-tested code of "No Longer Enrolled".	The receiving school district will make a transfer request (via eDIRECT, transfer spreadsheet, or help desk). See Managing Students and Testing in eDIRECT Guide for transfer request instructions. The student's Individual Student Report (ISR) report will go to the new school.	Receiving district. Student will be non-Full Academic Year (FAY). So the receiving district is accountable only for test participation and not for reading or mathematics proficiency.
2.	Student leaves district with some content areas completed and others not yet started.	If the student leaves the sending district with some content areas completed and others not yet started no action is needed	The receiving district will make a transfer request (via eDIRECT, transfer spreadsheet, or help desk). See Managing Students and Testing in eDIRECT Guide for transfer request instructions. The new school should administer any remaining content area tests to the student to complete testing. The student's ISR will go to the new school.	Receiving district. Same as above
3	Student leaves district with <u>a content area</u>	If the student leaves the sending district with a content area started but not completed, no immediate	The receiving district will make a transfer request (via eDIRECT, transfer spreadsheet, or help desk).	Receiving district. Same as above

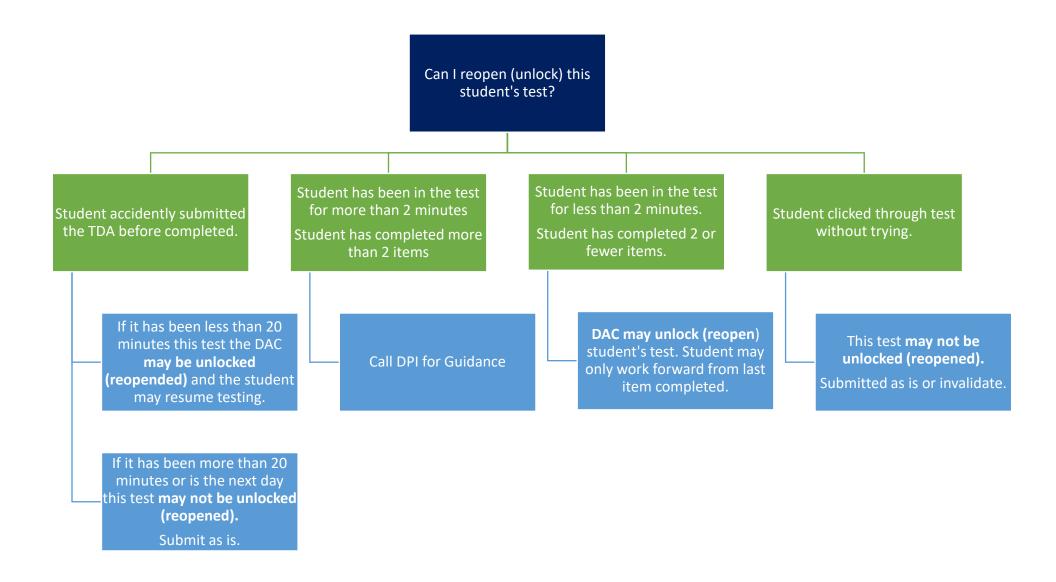
	started but not completed.	action is needed. If the student has not been transferred by the end of the test window, the "sending" district should mark the student's test session(s) completed, apply a testing code of "No Longer Enrolled" and contact DPI for further guidance	See Managing Students and Testing in eDIRECT Guide for transfer request instructions. As the student has a content area "In Progress" the new school needs to contact the Help Desk to obtain the student's user name and password to administer any remaining content area sessions to the student. Ensure accessibility settings are accurate then print test tickets for the content areas not started at the previous district and complete the student's testing. The student's ISR will go to the new school.	
4.	Student leaves one district with <u>all</u> testing completed.	No further action is needed. When the sending school district receives the ISR for that student, it should be securely sent to the new school district.	The receiving district should request the student's ISR from the district where the student was tested, if it is not received shortly after ISRs are sent from DRC.	Sending district. If the student was not FAY in the sending district, they count for test participation only. If the student was FAY, the student's achievement in reading and mathematics is included for accountability calculations.
5.	Student moves outside of Wisconsin, to a private school, or becomes a home-schooled student, a) prior to the testing window	The sending district should apply a not-tested code of "No Longer Enrolled".	N/A	N/A

	b) during or after the testing window and all testing is completed	No action is required	N/A	Sending district. If the student was not FAY in the sending district, they count for test participation only. If the student was FAY, the student's achievement in reading and mathematics is accountability calculations.
	c) during the testing window with little testing complete	The sending district should mark the student's completed test session(s) and apply a not-tested code of "No Longer Enrolled", then contact DPI for further guidance.	N/A	N/A
6.	Student moves into a Wisconsin district from another state, from a private school, or home- schooled situation in Wisconsin during the testing window	N/A	The receiving district should obtain a WISEId for the student and then add the new student in eDIRECT. Assign the student to new or existing test sessions. Then include the student in scheduled testing or arrange for test make-up sessions.	Receiving district. Student will be non-Full Academic Year (FAY). So the receiving district is accountable only for test participation and not for reading or mathematics proficiency.
7.	Student leaves a Wisconsin district before testing begins and enrolls in a new district in Wisconsin, but does not actually attend the new district until near the end of the testing window.	The sending district should apply a not -tested code of "No Longer Enrolled"	The receiving district should add the new student in eDIRECT, then assign the student to new or existing test sessions. Then include the student in scheduled testing or arrange for test make-up sessions	Receiving district. Student will be non-Full Academic Year (FAY). So the receiving district is accountable only for test participation and not for reading or mathematics proficiency.
8.	A student moves from one school to another school within the same district.	The sending school should remove all "Not Started" test sessions in eDIRECT. See Managing Students and Testing in eDIRECT Guide for instructions.		

Appendix D: Decision Tree for a Student who did not have Accessibility Feature Available during Testing



Appendix E: Decision Tree for Unlocking a Student's Test



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